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### *Stand Up and Be Counted*

by Carey L. Draeger

Public Information Officer



The largest peacetime mobilization in U.S. history is about to take place and Michigan libraries will be a part of it. The latest federal census is currently underway. Called Census 2000, it will be the information cornerstone for the next century. Billions of dollars of federal, state and local funds will be spent on thousands of projects around the state and across the country. How and where that money is spent depends on how accurate the census count is.

Governor John Engler recently wrote in a message to state agencies, "Census 2000's . . . importance to all of the people of the State of Michigan cannot be overstated. The amount of federal funding Michigan will receive over the next decade as a result of Census 2000 will be over \$50 billion. Allocations to schools and local units of government ranging from Title I education funding to transportation and revenue sharing monies will be determined, at least in part, by census population data. Decisions about education, health care, job training, transportation, and business are all based on information collected in the census. A poor census count could cost Michigan a seat in Congress for the next decade."

According to Business Services Director Janet Laverty, federal census data strongly affect funding to Michigan libraries. "Grants to state library agencies are awarded annually through a population-based formula to state library agencies, which then use the funds to support statewide initiatives and services or distribute the funds through competitive sub-grant competitions to libraries around the state," she explained. "Funds increase electronic sharing of information and expand public access to an increasing wealth of information and services at all types of libraries across the state. Michigan received \$4,557,301 in Fiscal Year 1999."

State aid to public libraries is provided through Public Act 89, 1977. Four of the five State Aid to Public Library grants are based on a per capita distribution from the most recent official federal census. The total amount distributed in FY1999 based on the per capita formula was \$14,143,555.

The distribution of penal fines is also affected by census figures. Since 1835, Michigan's Constitution has contained a provision stating that penal fines income will be used to support public libraries. State statutes require that penalties collected for violations of the state penal laws be paid to the county treasurers. The county treasurer distributes the penal fines funds to public libraries on a per capita

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# Michigan Manual On Line at [michiganlegislature.org](http://michiganlegislature.org)

By Carey L. Draeger

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The Library of Michigan's Network and Information Systems (NIS) staff is at it again--they're posting more useful information and publications on line at [Michiganlegislature.org](http://Michiganlegislature.org). Working with the Legal Editing and Law Publications Division of the Legislative Service Bureau, the Library's NIS staff is posting the *Michigan Manual* to the legislative web site at the end of January. According to Dave Lamb, internet programmer, the *Michigan Manual* "will be an exact duplicate of the publication that has been a reliable source of information for over 170 years." A chapter index is available to direct users to specific areas of information, which is available in PDF format.

The *Michigan Manual* is a state tradition. First published in 1836 as a legislative manual for the new state legislature, the "Red Book" (so called because of its plain red cover) offers a plethora of information about Michigan--its history, constitutional development, political traditions, government organization and educational institutions.

"We plan to continue to upgrade and refine the files for this publication to ensure that people have quick and easy access to the information it contains," Lamb promises.

## *LSTA Open House*

By Bryon Sitler

Multitype Library Specialist

On Friday, February 25, 2000, the first annual Library Services and Technology Act Open House will be held from 1:00 to 5:00 p.m. at the Library of Michigan. Throughout the afternoon, participants will be able to learn about successful LSTA-funded projects. People will be able to talk to the folks who made the projects happen and gain inspiration to develop projects for their own libraries.

Betsy Sywet, deputy director of the Institute of Museum and Library Services, will contribute to the opening remarks. Linda Champion of the Macomb County Library will bring her "Kids on the Block" puppet presentation about disabilities. To close the date, the Wild Swan Theater will offer its dramatic presentation of the Immigrant Experience. February 25 promises to be an exciting and informative day.

Participation in the open house is free of charge. For more information, contact Bryon Sitler, multitype library specialist, at 517-373-2548, or you may email him at [bsitler@libofmich.lib.mi.us](mailto:bsitler@libofmich.lib.mi.us).

## *Foundation Plans for Its Future*

By Sarah Watkins,

Executive Director

Library of Michigan Foundation

We all wonder where we will be next year at the same time. We think about what the future may hold. We try to plan ahead.

That is exactly what the Library of Michigan Foundation is doing. Its Board of Directors, staff, and a strategic planning team are planning for the future of the Foundation by participating in strategic planning. Louise Motoligin, President of Collaborative Management Consultants, will guide the Foundation in this effort.

Organizations throughout the country are facing extraordinary challenges as they cope with decreased government funding and increased competition. The Library of Michigan Foundation hopes to meet these challenges by taking a serious look at its mission and values and developing a committed vision for the future. The Foundation's desire to take an in-depth look at its future is the first step in meeting the challenge.

What does the Foundation hope to gain through its strategic planning effort? The final plan, which will go to the organization's board in April of 2000, will clarify mission, goals and objectives, trends and critical issues; provide guidelines for budget, strategies for action, measurements for evaluation; and establish prioritized timelines and assigned responsibilities for fundraising, development and marketing.

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basis (P.A. 59, 1964) by August 1st of each year. Over \$28,400,000 was distributed to public libraries in FY1999.

Michigan's libraries are natural partners for the Census 2000 program. Their contacts, knowledge of and standing in the community are crucial to an accurate count. Library staff understand how decisions about education, health care, job training and business are based on information about children, the elderly, the unemployed or underemployed.

There are many ways you can help with Census 2000. Some suggestions from the Census 2000 office include:

- Set the record straight. Help dispel myths about the census; explain to your patrons that census information is confidential and that the data collected are important to them and the community. Display Census 2000 brochures and other informative materials (for more information, call 1-888-325-7733. You'll be instructed to key in your county and will be automatically transferred to your regional census office) or provide questionnaires where people will find them. Provide space for testing and training census employees.
- Help identify good candidates for census jobs by offering employment information at your library.
- Spread the word: endorse the census publicly in your community; include articles in your newsletter and/or local paper.
- Be innovative: use the Internet. Post messages on your site and/or create links to the Census 2000 home page (<http://www.census.gov/www/dmd2khome.html>).

Beginning in March 2000, census questionnaires will be delivered and census takers will begin to visit housing units in rural and remote areas to drop off and/or pick up forms. From April to June 2000, census takers will visit housing units that did not return census forms. From October to November, all the field work will be completed. On December 31, 2000, apportionment counts will be delivered to the President of the United States. On April 1, 2001, all states will receive redistricting counts.

If you would like more information about Census 2000, please contact the Census 2000 web page at <http://www.census.gov/www/dmd/2khome.html> or telephone 1-888-325-7733.

## LAMA Seeks "Best of Show" Award Winners

Outstanding library public relations materials are being sought for the Library Administration and Management Association (LAMA) Public Relations Section Swap and Shop "Best of Show" awards competition. Entries will be accepted after March 15, 2000, and no later than April 15, 2000.

Promotional library materials will be judged by a team of experts. Winning entries will be on display during the Swap and Shop program on Sunday, July 9, from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., during the American Library Association Annual Conference in Chicago.

Judging in all categories will be based on content, originality, design format and effectiveness. Entrants are asked to provide 4 copies of each of 3 consecutive issues in 2 categories—calendars of events and newsletters.

The remaining categories for competition will consist of annual reports; bibliographies/booklists; materials that promote programs and events that educate the public about diversity; fund-raising materials/programs/events; programs/special events; original children's summer reading club materials; original young adult summer reading club materials; original adult materials about the Internet or the library's Web site. For consideration in these categories, entries should include 4 copies of each item to be judged.

Detailed information is available from Amy Shaw, public information officer, Southwest Public Libraries, 3359 Park Street, Grove City, Ohio 43123, 614-875-6716, or you may email her at [swplcro@ohionet.org](mailto:swplcro@ohionet.org). For an entry form, see the LAMA web site at <http://www.ala.org/lama/awards/bestofshow>.

## Beginning Workshop May 21-26, 2000

*North Central Michigan College, Petoskey, Michigan*

The **Beginning Workshop** is a week-long introduction to public librarianship that covers organization of library materials, reference, administrative policies, library law, cataloging and selection, public relations, children's services and much more. Qualified attendees who complete this workshop are eligible to earn a Level VII Certificate of Library Experience (3.2 CEUs).

Space is limited to 75 participants. The registration fee is \$375.

For more information or to register, please contact Bryon Sitler, multitype library specialist, at 517-373-2548 or you may fax him at 517-373-5700.

The Beginning Workshop is funded in part with a gift from the Loleta Fyan Fund, a program of the Library of Michigan Foundation.

# Preservation

## Tips on Maximizing the Quality of the Environment for Your Collections

*Compiled by Nancy R. Robertson*  
Rare Book Librarian

**S**tate-of-the-art rare book reading rooms and storage areas provide the best possible environment for unique and valuable materials. The expense and requirements of expertise involved in the building of such areas often prohibit other libraries from indulging in extensive precautions and protection for their collections. Included here are some basic, achievable tips for improving or maintaining the environmental conditions of your library's materials, in order to prolong their life and usefulness.

**Temperature and relative humidity:** High levels of heat can accelerate deterioration of paper materials. High humidity, especially when combined with high temperature levels, can contribute to the growth of mold and/or the appearance of insect activity. Conversely, very low humidity hastens embrittlement. The accepted ranges for temperature and relative humidity vary somewhat, depending on the materials, but the target temperature should be about 68 (no higher than 70) degrees Fahrenheit, and the relative humidity should fall in a range of 30-50%. It is important to maintain a constant temperature and humidity level, so choose a combination that you can maintain 24 hours a day, 365 days per year. In the interest of maintaining constant levels, it is also advisable to keep doors and windows closed and sealed with weather-stripping where needed. A program of regular monitoring of the temperature and humidity levels should be implemented, so that the air conditioning and humidifying/dehumidifying equipment can be regulated to maintain the desired environment.

**Light:** Whether natural or artificial, light is a catalyst for oxidation/embrittlement and can cause fading or darkening of

materials. Because the effects of light are cumulative and irreversible, even brief periods of light exposure can affect materials. Recommended levels of light range from 5 to 15 foot-candles. Incandescent bulbs should be preferred over fluorescent. For reduction of exposure, use window shades; store at-risk materials in boxes or folders; turn off lights in areas where materials are not in use; and create surrogates for materials that are likely to be heavily photocopied. Always avoid permanent exhibition of materials, rotating exhibits every few months at least. And never place exhibited or stored materials in areas where the sun will shine on them directly.

Many of our materials do not need to last more than a few years, as they are deselected when more current materials are added to the collections. It is still important, though, to maintain good practices regarding environmental conditions to prolong the lives of those materials that are retained in the collections over time. For more information on the effects of temperature, relative humidity, and light on paper-based collections, or for information on other preservation and conservation issues, check out the Conservation OnLine site at <http://palimpsest.stanford.edu/>.

Sources consulted for this column include "The Storage Environment" by the Office of the Secretary of State, Georgia Department of Archives and History, which is available online at <http://palimpsest.stanford.edu/byorg/georgia/envir.html> and "Temperature, Relative Humidity, Light, and Air Quality: Basic Guidelines for Preservation," by Sheryl Ogden, in *Preservation of Library & Archival Materials: A Manual*, 3rd ed., Andover, MA: Northeast Document Conservation Center, 1999. It is available online at <http://www.nedcc.org/plam3/tleaf21.htm>

# Library of Michigan Takes 2nd Place

*By Carey L. Draeger*  
Public Information Officer

The Michigan Library Association's Marketing and Public Relations Roundtable awarded the Library of Michigan a second-place certificate in the Program Announcement category during its annual conference in November 1999. The Mahoney Children's Conference brochures won the Library recognition of outstanding achievement in library public relations.

Designed by the Library's graphic designer, Marnie Elden, and written by Public Information Officer Carey L. Draeger, Multitype Library Specialist Bryon Sitler and Foundation Assistant Joyce Ruttan, the brochure was sent to libraries around the state to announce the new program developed specifically for librarians involved with children and young adults.

# Successful Workshops Throughout Michigan

*By Naomi Krefman,*  
Federal Programs Manager  
and  
*Molly Dwyer,*  
Data Analyst

Beginning in September and running through the end of October, the Library of Michigan made its way throughout the state presenting Public Library Data Workshops.

Led by Federal Programs Manager Naomi Krefman, and Data Analyst Molly Dwyer, the Public Library Data Workshops were coordinated to be presented just as the Annual Report filing process began, and the 1999 Michigan Library Statistical Report became available. The workshop focused on how to effectively use the data that is generated from public libraries from the Annual Report, as well as how to make the filing process faster and smoother. Many of the 13 workshops presented were graciously hosted by the various cooperatives, and a few were held at libraries within the cooperative.

It was interesting to find that very different questions came up at each workshop. Different ideas were brought about when looking at how to compare one's library using key data elements. Once again, this shows that despite the common goals libraries may share, the unique nature of each individual library means that the needs of their programs, their board and their patrons vary greatly.

At some locations we were able to go on-line to demonstrate the ease of filing the Annual Report electronically. Currently in its second year of operation, electronic filing not only improved, but also eliminated many of the common mistakes made when an annual report is filed on paper. For example, only 25 percent of the errors made during the 1999 filing process occurred with electronic filing. Thanks to an improved filing form, programming enhancements and the input and instruction at the workshops, we're expecting the error rate to drop even lower this year.

Perhaps most valuable and interesting to the attendees were the specific examples provided of how each library can use the statistical data to display valuable information and to demonstrate the value and/or various needs of their library. Additionally, those in attendance were made aware of the Library of Michigan's willingness to provide customized reports to libraries and cooperatives, by contacting Molly Dwyer at (517) 373-3828 or [mdwyer@libofmich.lib.mi.us](mailto:mdwyer@libofmich.lib.mi.us).

In this first year the Public Library Data Workshops were presented, the attending 195 people representing 170 libraries and cooperatives made it a success. In the words of the participants, "I've been filling out the State Aid Application/Annual Report for years, and still learned some new things!" and "I don't think I'll resent having to fill out the report so much now that I know how useful it is to so many, and since I learned some tips to make collecting the information easier!" We learned a lot as well, and truly appreciate the feedback on how to make both the Annual Report and Statistical Report easier to understand and the electronic filing easier to tackle.



# TECH time

*By Paul Groll*

Director, Network and Information Systems

A quiet office. A monitor glows. A telephone rings.

Dana: Hello, Tech Support. This is Dana.

Kelly: Hi, Dana, this is Kelly in Documents. I'm pulling my hair out!

Dana: OK, Kelly, tell me what's going on. Let's see if we can save your hair.

Kelly: Well, I'm part of a team working on a project; we're having a real problem exchanging documents through email. We already meet too often and are buried in paper, so we really need to find a satisfactory way to send and use formatted docs as attachments.

Dana: What kind of problems have you had?

Kelly: Most of the trouble is confusing to us. When I attach and send a doc to Jane, she opens it and sees garbage. We both have Microsoft Word, so I don't know why she can't see my stuff. To make it even more confusing, if she sends a doc to me, or even returns my doc, I open and see them just fine!

Dana: Looks like we're dealing with a software version problem.

Kelly: But how, when we both have Word?

Dana: I bet you have a newer version of the program. Let me explain. Say you have version 7. When you save your doc, it is stored on the network in a file format that is specific to version 7. When you send this to Jane, who has, say, version 5, she tries to open it and sees garbage. What's happened is that her version 5 software simply does not understand the file format stored by version 7.

Kelly: But why can I read the docs she sends me?

Dana: Your newer software knows how to read and open files stored by all or most older versions of the same program. When she sends you a version 5 document, your version 7 software already knows how to understand, open, and properly display her attachment.

Kelly: But that still doesn't solve our problem. If she can't open and read the docs I send, then we still lack a satisfactory means to exchange attachments.

Dana: Right. Most users know how to use the menu |File|Save to store a document. When you choose this menu option, the file is stored in what we call the native format for the software application. As we've discussed, this native format is not universally readable by other applications, especially older versions of the same program.

The trick here is to use the menu |File|Save As option instead, and select from the drop-down list to store the document in a different format--one that is readable by all of your colleagues.

One way to do this is to have the work team all agree in advance on a specific format--say, Word version 5--and then everyone stores and sends all docs in that format. As everyone has version 5 or newer, everyone can store, send, open, and use the attachments with no problem.

Kelly: That's great! I think that'll work well for this project. But that raises another question. On a different project team, some of the folks are WordPerfect users. How do we achieve the same thing with that team?

Dana: That's a great question, and gets us to a much more generic solution to this problem. In general, documents for distribution to a mixed or unknown group of users should be stored and sent in a format that is globally readable. Several years ago, a group of software designers set out to tackle exactly this problem. What they came up with is a two-pronged approach--a generic storage file format and a set of software development tools that allows any application program to store, read, open, and edit these files.

Kelly: Yeah, but that sounds just like what we can do now, with plain text. That's usually not sufficient for our work--we need formatted docs with bold text, underlining, italics, etc.

Dana: Exactly. These formatting rules add richness to the text and are sometimes indispensable. This special storage format is designed to handle these text enhancements, and reflects this in its name--Rich Text Format.

Kelly: Rich Text Format? Never heard of it.

Dana: It's often called simply RTF. Almost all modern writing applications offer RTF as a selection under |File|Save As. A doc saved in RTF retains most or all of its special formatting and richness, and may be sent to and successfully opened by almost any other user with RTF-capable software. All modern versions of Word support this.

Kelly: That's cool. That sounds like exactly what we need for our mixed Word/WordPerfect teams.

Dana: One value-added benefit is that these files will likely remain more readable into the future. Some day down the road, when none of us has Word in any version, these docs will still be read by any software that imports RTF files. Give it a try and let me know how it works out.

[This piece was saved and sent to the Access editor in RTF.]

# Financial Management Reference Guides

By Janet Lavery

Director, Business Services

Seven financial management workshops, recently conducted around the state, proved to be informative and helpful for library staff and trustees. The collaborative efforts between Plante and Moran and the Library of Michigan gave insight on how to use the *Financial Management Reference Guide* distributed to public libraries this fall.

Over 200 workshop participants learned how to use the guide and find answers to questions about fund accounting, preparing budgets, internal controls, audits, library investments and financial reporting. This reference guide provides so many resources in one handy binder. The guide is designed to give direction to a broad range of financial issues. Additional workshops will be held across northern Michigan during the spring of 2000.

The Library of Michigan contracted with Plante and Moran to develop the reference guide, funded with a federal Library Services and Technology Act grant from the Institute of Museum and Library Services, administered by the Library of Michigan. A focus group comprised of librarians provided feedback to the drafts of the guide during the development stages of the reference guide. This was to ensure the reference guide clearly addressed issues that were common and relevant to libraries.

The reference guide is available at the Library of Michigan web site at <http://www.libofmich.lib.mi.us/publications/finmanref.html> or by contacting Jami Getzen at 517-373-9452 or [jgetzen@libofmich.lib.mi.us](mailto:jgetzen@libofmich.lib.mi.us).

# 24th Annual Meeting of MATVI Hosted by Library of Michigan

by Desirae Kelly-Kato

Services for the Blind and Physically Handicapped

The Library of Michigan hosted the 24th annual meeting of the Michigan Association of Transcribers for the Visually Impaired (MATVI) on October 27, 1999.

MATVI is a state and nationally affiliated organization of certified volunteer braillists who are committed to providing Braille books and literature to students and agencies that request printed material into Braille.

Tours of the Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped (SBPH), the Public Services collection of Michigan documents and the genealogy area, and the Michigan Historical Museum were enjoyed by the attendees. Attendees consisted of a local volunteer braillist group, the Onlookers, teacher consultants, audio material narrators, parents of blind students and the MATVI board members.

An afternoon discussion panel that focused on preparing students for an employable future was facilitated by Desirae Kelley-Kato, coordinator for audio material and volunteer services for SBPH. The panel consisted of Scott Norris, the LM adaptive technology coordinator; Karla Hudson, rehabilitation counselor with the Michigan Commission for the Blind; Sue Wenstrom, a counselor and braillist at Lansing Community College; Cheryl Wade, a business writer with the Midland Daily newspaper; and Clarissa Miller, a teacher consultant with the Clinton Intermediate School District.

If you would like more information about MATVI, please contact their Lewiston office at 517-786-5311.

# LM Law Library

By Nancy Whitmer

Law Library

If you've ever wondered if there is a law library in your city or town, or even in your part of the state, now there's a quick and easy way to find out. The State Law Library reference staff has posted on the Internet a directory of Michigan libraries that have legal information. Some are full law libraries; others are general public or academic libraries that include law titles among their holdings. Only those institutions that are open to the public are included.

You may access the list through the Library of Michigan's website at <http://www.libofmich.lib.mi.us/law/lawpublic.html>. The arrangement is by geographical and then alphabetical, so that you can quickly focus on the area where you live. In addition to the address, phone number and hours, you also will find out what kinds of legal materials each library holds. For example, if you are looking for a library that has the Michigan Compiled Laws Annotated, this directory will tell you.

# 1999 Penal Fines Increase by One Percent

by Janet Laverty

Director, Business Services

The annual survey of county treasurers indicated that the total penal fines collected in 1999 increased by only 1% over the 1998 collection. A total of \$28,389,170 was collected compared to \$28,327,623 in 1998. Interest on the penal fines amounted to \$503,632 for a total of \$28,892,802 available for distribution to public and county law libraries.

Public Act 236 of 1961 provides the direction for the county treasurer to credit the county law library fund from the library fund. The amount each county is able to appropriate for its law library is determined by the population of the county. \$377,413 was credited to the law library fund in 1999.

Forty-six Michigan counties showed an increase in the per capita rates. Montcalm County showed the greatest per capita rate increase at 26% over 1998. Montcalm's per capita rate increased from \$5.04 per capita to \$6.34. Although Mackinaw County experienced a slight decrease of 3% in their per capita rate, they had the highest per capita rate for the year at \$17.13.

Of the 32 counties that saw a decrease in their per capita rates, Baraga County experienced the largest decrease--36%. Their rate went from \$4.33 in 1998 to \$2.75 in 1999. Genesee County had the lowest decrease in rates, \$1.05 per capita, or 5%.

The report included in this publication shows the amount of penal fines collected by the county treasurers as of June 30, 1999, the reported interest for the preceding 12 months, and the amount distributed to the county law libraries and public libraries. The per capita rate is derived by dividing the public library distribution amount by the county's library service population. The previous year's per capita rate is included for comparison.

The Library of Michigan verifies each public library's service population on June 30th of each year and provides the number to each county treasurer by July 15th of any given year. The Library of Michigan reviews all library service contracts in effect, as well as the legal service populations, on the last day of June to determine the service population for each public library.

A variety of factors continue to affect penal fine income, such as the success rate of collections by the courts, local economic factors and parallel ordinances. The result is year-to-year fluctuations in the total amount distributed. A ten-year penal fine distribution historical report is available from the Library of Michigan by contacting Donna Holdridge at 517 373-1587 or by email at [dholdrid@libofmich.lib.mi.us](mailto:dholdrid@libofmich.lib.mi.us).

County	Certified Population
Alcona	10,145
Alger	8,972
Allegan *	90,697
Alpena	30,605
Antrim	18,185
Arenac	14,906
Baraga	7,954
Barry *	51,790
Bay	111,723
Benzie	12,200
Berrien	161,378
Branch	41,502
Calhoun	135,982
Cass	49,477
Charlevoix	21,468
Cheboygan	21,398
Chippewa	34,604
Clare	24,952
Clinton	57,883
Crawford	12,260
Delta	37,780
Dickinson	26,831
Eaton	92,879
Emmet	25,040
Genesee	430,459
Gladwin	21,896
Gogebic	18,052
Grand Traverse *	73,634
Gratiot	38,982
Hillsdale	43,431
Houghton	35,446
Huron	34,951
Ingham	281,912
Ionia	57,024
Iosco	30,209
Iron	13,175
Isabella	54,624
Jackson	149,756
Kalamazoo	223,411
Kalkaska	13,497
Kent	500,631
Keweenaw	1,701
Lake	8,583
Lapeer	74,768
Leelanau	16,527
Lenawee *	91,627
Livingston *	116,166
Luce	5,763
Mackinac	10,674
Macomb	717,400
Manistee	21,265
Marquette	70,887
Mason	25,537
Mecosta	37,308
Menominee	24,920
Midland	75,651
Missaukee *	16,760
Monroe	133,600
Montcalm	53,059
Montmorency	8,936
Muskegon	158,983
Newaygo *	38,207
Oakland	1,083,592
Oceana	22,455
Ogemaw	18,681
Ontonagon	8,854
Osceola	20,146
Oscoda	7,842
Otsego	17,957
Ottawa	187,768
Presque Isle	13,743
Roscommon *	23,189
Saginaw	211,946
Sanilac	39,928
Schoolcraft	8,302
Shiawassee	69,770
St. Clair	145,607
St. Joseph	58,913
Tuscola *	55,991
Van Buren	70,060
Washtenaw *	283,095
Wayne *	2,117,142
Wexford	26,360
TOTALS	9,321,364

\*County certified population is greater than actual population due to legal service area overlaps.



Penal Fines Collected	Interest Income	Total Penal Fines	Law Library Distribution	Public Library Distribution	1999 Per Capita Rate	1998 Per Capita Rate	% Change 1998-1999
\$72,740	\$997	\$73,737	\$2,500	\$71,237	\$7.02	\$6.17	14%
\$46,793	\$90	\$46,883	\$2,000	\$44,883	\$5.00	\$6.59	(24%)
\$636,521	\$0	\$636,521	\$6,500	\$630,021	\$6.95	\$6.30	10%
\$173,635	\$3,479	\$177,114	\$3,500	\$173,614	\$5.67	\$5.67	0%
\$109,072	\$2,683	\$111,755	\$2,500	\$109,255	\$6.01	\$5.03	19%
\$229,594	\$0	\$229,594	\$2,500	\$227,094	\$15.24	\$12.34	23%
\$23,784	\$122	\$23,906	\$2,000	\$21,906	\$2.75	\$4.33	(36%)
\$152,190	\$3,264	\$155,454	\$3,250	\$152,204	\$2.94	\$2.51	17%
\$465,130	\$0	\$465,130	\$6,500	\$448,519	\$4.01	\$3.44	17%
\$104,293	\$0	\$104,293	\$5,000	\$99,293	\$8.14	\$7.78	5%
\$1,045,265	\$33,715	\$1,078,980	\$6,500	\$1,072,480	\$6.65	\$7.15	(7%)
\$204,164	\$0	\$204,164	\$4,500	\$199,664	\$4.81	\$4.08	18%
\$500,449	\$0	\$500,449	\$6,500	\$493,949	\$3.63	\$3.67	(1%)
\$201,867	\$5,388	\$207,255	\$4,500	\$202,755	\$4.10	\$4.75	(14%)
\$121,325	\$2,245	\$123,570	\$3,596	\$119,973	\$5.59	\$5.77	(3%)
\$227,305	\$6,931	\$234,236	\$3,500	\$230,736	\$10.78	\$11.04	(2%)
\$207,462	\$0	\$207,462	\$3,500	\$203,962	\$5.89	\$6.31	(7%)
\$143,827	\$3,205	\$147,032	\$3,500	\$143,532	\$5.75	\$5.76	(0%)
\$398,690	\$10,378	\$409,068	\$6,500	\$402,568	\$6.95	\$6.68	4%
\$141,330	\$0	\$141,330	\$2,500	\$138,830	\$11.32	\$11.77	(4%)
\$219,634	\$0	\$219,634	\$4,500	\$215,134	\$5.69	\$4.98	14%
\$146,929	\$0	\$146,929	\$3,500	\$143,429	\$5.35	\$4.81	11%
\$327,348	\$6,659	\$334,007	\$6,500	\$327,507	\$3.53	\$3.30	7%
\$120,417	\$2,630	\$123,047	\$3,500	\$119,547	\$4.77	\$5.03	(5%)
\$448,613	\$11,248	\$459,861	\$8,500	\$451,361	\$1.05	\$1.10	(5%)
\$154,845	\$0	\$154,845	\$3,500	\$151,345	\$6.91	\$8.34	(17%)
\$104,909	\$2,733	\$107,642	\$2,500	\$105,142	\$5.82	\$4.64	25%
\$339,394	\$0	\$339,394	\$6,500	\$332,894	\$4.52	\$3.77	20%
\$629,154	\$8,893	\$638,047	\$4,500	\$633,547	\$16.25	\$17.18	(5%)
\$170,029	\$4,421	\$174,450	\$4,500	\$169,950	\$3.91	\$3.60	9%
\$62,856	\$668	\$63,524	\$4,567	\$58,957	\$1.66	\$1.59	4%
\$246,461	\$2,261	\$248,722	\$3,500	\$245,220	\$7.02	\$6.59	6%
\$721,991	\$21,356	\$743,347	\$8,500	\$734,847	\$2.61	\$2.83	(8%)
\$385,247	\$11,406	\$396,653	\$6,500	\$390,153	\$6.84	\$6.74	1%
\$243,819	\$1,196	\$245,015	\$3,500	\$241,515	\$7.99	\$7.07	13%
\$62,774	\$0	\$62,774	\$2,500	\$60,274	\$4.57	\$4.36	5%
\$470,885	\$3,401	\$474,287	\$6,500	\$467,787	\$8.56	\$8.31	3%
\$271,408	\$0	\$271,408	\$6,500	\$264,908	\$1.77	\$2.60	(32%)
\$447,506	\$10,064	\$457,571	\$6,500	\$451,071	\$2.02	\$1.76	14%
\$190,422	\$0	\$190,422	\$2,500	\$187,922	\$13.92	\$11.35	23%
\$1,633,895	\$52,663	\$1,686,558	\$8,500	\$1,678,058	\$3.35	\$3.16	6%
\$5,028	\$0	\$5,028	\$2,000	\$3,028	\$1.78	\$1.78	(0%)
\$90,067	\$2,467	\$92,534	\$2,000	\$90,534	\$10.55	\$8.73	21%
\$469,078	\$0	\$469,078	\$6,500	\$462,578	\$6.19	\$5.91	5%
\$85,124	\$1,023	\$86,147	\$2,500	\$83,647	\$5.06	\$4.47	13%
\$598,804	\$0	\$598,804	\$6,500	\$592,304	\$6.46	\$5.06	28%
\$563,495	\$15,923	\$579,418	\$6,500	\$572,918	\$4.93	\$4.03	22%
\$29,666	\$837	\$30,503	\$2,000	\$28,503	\$4.95	\$5.37	(8%)
\$185,301	\$0	\$185,301	\$2,500	\$182,801	\$17.13	\$17.58	(3%)
\$756,189	\$13,615	\$769,805	\$8,500	\$761,305	\$1.06	\$1.02	4%
\$228,135	\$0	\$228,135	\$7,000	\$221,135	\$10.40	\$11.86	(12%)
\$138,257	\$0	\$138,257	\$6,500	\$131,757	\$1.86	\$1.69	10%
\$127,836	\$0	\$127,836	\$3,500	\$124,336	\$4.87	\$4.06	20%
\$267,530	\$5,740	\$273,269	\$4,500	\$268,769	\$7.20	\$6.66	8%
\$169,017	\$3,583	\$172,600	\$3,500	\$169,100	\$6.79	\$6.26	8%
\$202,553	\$5,585	\$208,138	\$6,500	\$201,638	\$2.67	\$3.04	(12%)
\$82,741	\$2,057	\$84,798	\$2,500	\$82,298	\$4.91	\$5.37	(9%)
\$762,115	\$0	\$762,115	\$6,500	\$755,615	\$5.66	\$7.48	(24%)
\$336,505	\$6,629	\$343,134	\$6,500	\$336,634	\$6.34	\$5.04	26%
\$51,282	\$1,638	\$52,920	\$2,000	\$50,920	\$5.70	\$4.91	16%
\$361,438	\$10,583	\$372,020	\$6,500	\$365,520	\$2.30	\$2.26	2%
\$186,599	\$2,988	\$189,587	\$9,000	\$180,587	\$4.73	\$4.63	2%
\$1,317,772	\$38,574	\$1,356,346	\$0	\$1,356,346	\$1.25	\$1.33	(6%)
\$228,373	\$3,223	\$231,596	\$3,500	\$228,096	\$10.16	\$9.27	10%
\$268,108	\$6,958	\$275,066	\$2,500	\$272,566	\$14.59	\$17.60	(17%)
\$75,089	\$2,176	\$77,265	\$2,000	\$75,265	\$8.50	\$7.43	14%
\$255,541	\$1,891	\$257,432	\$3,500	\$253,932	\$12.60	\$12.99	(3%)
\$79,618	\$353	\$79,970	\$2,000	\$77,970	\$9.94	\$11.33	(12%)
\$159,334	\$2,004	\$161,338	\$2,500	\$158,838	\$8.85	\$7.98	11%
\$978,959	\$38,987	\$1,017,946	\$6,500	\$1,011,446	\$5.39	\$4.87	11%
\$42,539	\$197	\$42,736	\$2,500	\$40,236	\$2.93	\$2.89	1%
\$311,638	\$7,626	\$319,263	\$2,500	\$316,763	\$13.66	\$13.38	2%
\$874,704	\$22,248	\$896,952	\$6,500	\$890,452	\$4.20	\$4.55	(8%)
\$236,186	\$0	\$236,186	\$4,500	\$231,686	\$5.80	\$5.80	0%
\$47,642	\$1,250	\$48,892	\$2,000	\$46,892	\$5.65	\$6.35	(11%)
\$177,053	\$814	\$177,867	\$6,500	\$171,367	\$2.46	\$2.14	15%
\$659,518	\$0	\$659,518	\$6,500	\$653,018	\$4.48	\$4.63	(3%)
\$184,201	\$3,554	\$187,756	\$6,500	\$181,256	\$3.08	\$3.88	(21%)
\$493,451	\$1,646	\$495,097	\$6,500	\$488,597	\$8.73	\$8.21	6%
\$406,125	\$0	\$406,125	\$6,500	\$399,625	\$5.70	\$5.70	0%
\$449,851	\$11,276	\$461,128	\$8,500	\$452,628	\$1.60	\$1.68	(5%)
\$2,597,915	\$71,802	\$2,669,717	\$0	\$2,597,915	\$1.23	\$1.30	(5%)
\$244,821	\$4,288	\$249,109	\$3,500	\$245,609	\$9.32	\$10.92	(15%)
\$28,389,170	\$503,632	\$28,892,802	\$377,413	\$28,433,474	\$6.13	\$6.04	1%

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<b>1-2</b>	New Year's Day Holiday Library of Michigan closed	<b>10</b>	AccessMichigan Basics Michigan Library Consortium
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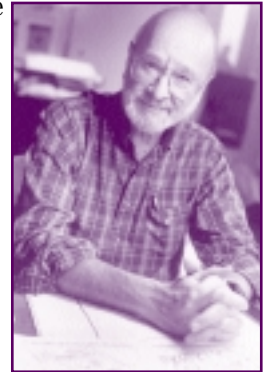
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The Saline District Library is one of 47 libraries in 24 states that have been designated as official participants in Sister Libraries: A White House Millennium Council Project. The project is a major initiative of the United States National Commission on Libraries and Information Science (NCLIS) and Sister Cities International. The goal is for public and school libraries in the United States to pair with others worldwide, focusing on programs specifically planned for children and teenagers. Saline will pair up with the library in Brecon, Wales. "Saline and Becon have a 34-year relationship that began with the People-to-People program established by President Eisenhower," said Norlaine Tinsey, assistant to the library director. "In fact, we'll be hosting visitors from Brecon in 2001." The Saline District Library staff have several projects in mind for the Sister Library program: a special storytime about Wales to honor St. David's Day on March 1, 2000; an Internet penpal program that allows children from both cities to communicate via the library's website; and the creation of a storytime kit that focuses on Michigan folklore for Brecon librarians to use in their storytimes. "Saline is looking forward to participating in this effort," Tinsey added.

Holly Ward Lamb, youth services librarian at the Howell Carnegie District Library, received the Frances H. Pletz Award on November 4, 1999, at the annual Michigan Library Association (MLA) conference in Dearborn. The award recognizes librarians for excellence in library service to young adults. Holly heads a popular youth services department at her library. She's also served as an active leader in MLA's young adult and children's divisions and in planning activities for children and young adult services in the Library Network, a regional cooperative of libraries. She regularly contributes book reviews to *VOYA* (Voice of Youth Advocates) magazine.

In late October, Alpena County Library was held spellbound by the magic of Jules Feiffer, cartoonist, novelist and playwright. Mr. Feiffer entertained an audience of 150+ with examples of his work and stories about his life. He ended his speech with music and examples of the dance cartoons for which he is so well known. Feiffer is a Pulitzer Prize-winning cartoonist best-known for his captions, a satirist whose strong point is compassion...a humorist who mixes such unlikely subjects as nuclear destruction and sexual relationships. In less than four years he rose from a struggling artist contributing free drawings to a weekly Greenwich village newspaper to that of an internationally syndicated cartoonist. The Friends of the Alpena County Library put together a royal reception with a special New York flair to end what turned out to be a special evening.



The Chesterfield Township Library's "Food for Fines" program was featured in the December 7, 1999 edition of the Detroit News. The program allows patrons to erase their overdue fines by bringing in nonperishable food items. For each food item, the library knocks \$1 off the fines. "You can bring in 50 cans of food. We are happy with that," said Library Director Marion Lusardi. "But we won't waive fines for lost or damaged items." The program erased over \$200 in fines, while collecting more than 4 baskets full of non-perishable food items for the St. Mary's food bank in New Baltimore. "Every Christmas we try to do something to show how much we appreciate the support of the community," said Lusardi. "Last year we collected stuffed animals to give to Chesterfield Township police." Many people dropped off food even without having any fines.

In December 1999 Legislative Council (the parent agency of the Library of Michigan) agencies joined forces to help make the holiday season a little brighter for Lansing-area children. They participated in the Giving Tree project, a program designed to help provide gifts for the 400 children under the care of Catholic Social Services/St. Vincent Home, Inc. The program began in 1989. The Library of Michigan (LM) and the Legislative Service Bureau (LSB) each received 75 cards printed with the name of a child, his/her age, gender and a gift s/he wished for at Christmas. The cards, color coded according to 3 price ranges, were hung from trees in central locations at LM and the Michigan National Bank Tower (where LSB offices are located). Employees quickly picked a card and then purchased the various gifts, which were delivered to the CSS/St. Vincent Home on December 20 in time for the Christmas holidays. "Many of the gifts that were wished for were necessities we take for granted," said Traci Kanillopoulos, the Giving Tree coordinator at the Michigan National Tower. "For example, one of the children wished for a coat; another asked for a sweatshirt." LM employees donated additional funds raised at their annual holiday party to ensure that all the children received gifts. "It was a huge success," said Carey Draeger, the coordinator for the Library of Michigan. "We all had a great time buying gifts for the children."

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